IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Rule 53(b) Continuation Application of 09/926,459:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

Prior to the examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows: